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SUBJ: BANGLADESH MEMBERSHIP IN UN

REF: USUN'S 1956 AND PREVIOUS

1. I INQUIRED OF FOREIGN MINISTER KAMAL HOSSAIN DURING MY CALL ON HIM TODAY WHETHER HE HAD ANY LATE REPORT ON STATUS OF BANGLADESH ADMISSION TO UN. INDICATING THAT HE HAD WANTED TO RAISE THIS SAME SUBJECT WITH ME, HE SAID SC WOULD MEET TOMORROW, MAY 30, AND THAT, AS HE UNDERSTOOD IT, NORMAL PROCEDURE OF REFERRING BANGLADESH'S APPLICATION TO SC COMMISSION ON NEW MEMBERS WOULD BE FOLLOWED. HE PROCEEDED TO REVIEW, IN TERMS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF PAKISTAN, RECENT HISTORY REGARDING BD'S APPLICATION. HE NOTED THAT THERE WERE NOW NO SUBSTANTIVE BARRIERS TO THEIR ADMISSION BUT THAT PAKISTAN WAS CREATING ARTIFICIAL ISSUE OF "TIMING," SEEKING TO DELAY ACTION FOR TWO OR THREE WEEKS AND LINKING IT TO BHUTTO'S VISIT HERE WHICH WAS IRRELEVANT. HE SAID HE WAS FRANKLY SURPRISED AT PAKISTAN'S TACTICS WHICH WERE NOT IN SPIRIT OF RECENT TREND TOWARD NORMALIZATION. IMPLYING HIS HOPE THAT WE WOULD HELP, HE SAID IT WOULD BE WELL IF "WISER AND YLDER HEADS" COULD PREVAIL AND AVOID A SQUABBLE IN HANDLING OF THIS ISSUE IN SC TOMORROW. CREATING A PROBLEM OVER THIS, HE EMPHASIZED, WAS NOT IN PAKISTAN'S TRUE INTEREST.

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2. I REITERATED OUR SUPPORT FOR THEIR ADMISSION AND SAID WE HAD
APPRECIATED CHANCE THEY HAD GIVEN US TO CONSULT HERE, IN NEW YORK,
AND WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY BUFFUM IN WASHINGTON.
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